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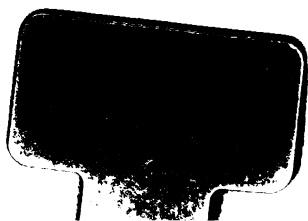
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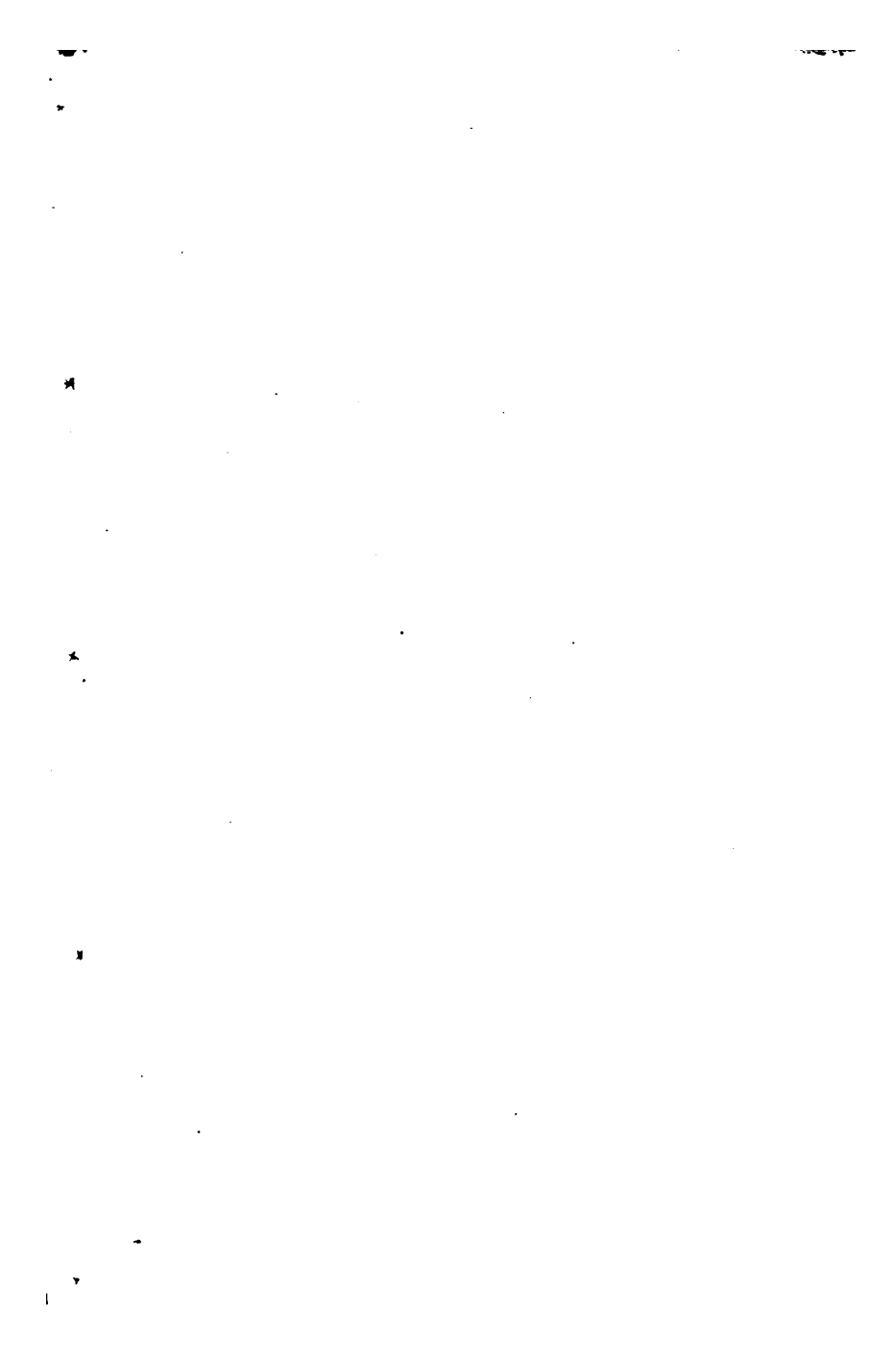
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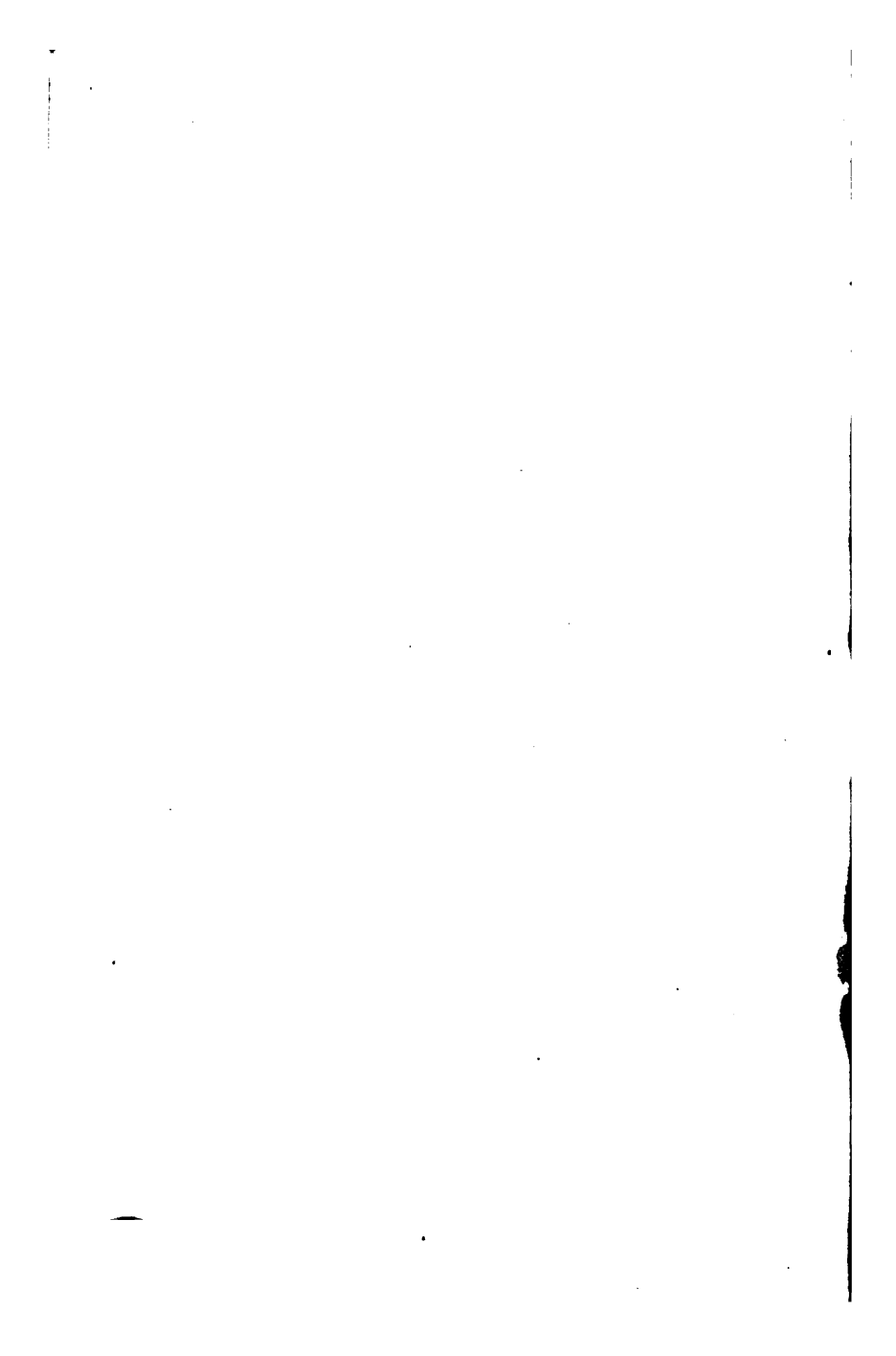
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INHABITANTS  
OF  
BIRMINGHAM,  
EDGBASTON AND ASTON,

POSSESSING GOODS TO THE VALUE OF  
TEN SHILLINGS AND UPWARDS IN THE YEAR

1327.

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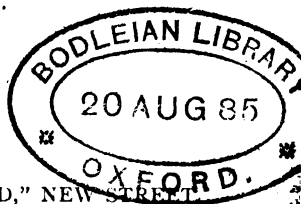
BEING A LIST OF PERSONS TAXED TO THE  
AMOUNT OF A TWENTIETH OF THEIR MOVABLES,  
AS A SUBSIDY FOR THE DEFENCE OF THE  
KINGDOM AGAINST THE SCOTCH.

*Extracted from the Original Roll in the Public Record Office,*

BY W. B. BICKLEY.

BIRMINGHAM:  
WILLIAM DOWNING, "CHAUCER'S HEAD," NEW STREET.

1885.



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## COMMISSION TO ASSESS.

(FROM THE PATENT ROLLS, 1ST. ED. III.)

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*For the King.  
Of a Twentieth to  
be Collected in the  
Counties.* } THE KING to knights, freemen,  
and the whole community of the  
County of Northampton, as well  
within liberties as without, to whom  
&c. greeting. WHEREAS the earls, barons, com-  
munities of counties, and the citizens, burgesses,  
and communities of cities and boroughs, of our  
realm, have granted unto us a twentieth of all  
their moveable goods, as a subsidy for the defence  
of our kingdom against the Scotch, our enemies and  
rebels, who in a hostile manner, have invaded the  
same our realm, besieging and storming our  
castles, and those of our faithful subjects, within  
the same realm, and barbarously perpetrating  
homicides, depredations, incendiarisms, and other  
atrocities ; We willing to provide that the aforesaid  
twentieth may be raised and collected at the least  
damage and grievance of the people of the said  
realm, have appointed our beloved and trusty

Robert de Daventry, and William le Breton, together with some clerk whom they may deem proper to chose hereunto, and for whom they shall be willing to answer, to assess and tax the aforesaid twentieth, in the County aforesaid, as well within liberties as without, according to the form thereof to them delivered on our behalf; and to collect and levy the money arising from the aforesaid twentieth, and deliver the same into our exchequer, at certain terms, that is to say, one half on the morrow of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary next coming, and the other half on the morrow of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist next ensuing, without further delay. AND therefore we command you to be attendant, answerable, aiding, and counselling, in all and singular the premises, to the aforesaid Robert and William, and the clerk whom they shall choose hereunto as aforesaid, in form aforesaid, and in such wise as they shall make known to you on our behalf. IN WITNESS whereof, &c. WITNESS the King at Lincoln on the 24th day of September. BY THE KING himself and the Council.

IN the same manner are assigned the under-written persons in the Counties underwritten, that is to say,

|                      |                 |                |
|----------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| *                    | *               | *              |
| Hugh de Prestwold    | } In the County | } under date   |
| Roger de Belgrave    |                 |                |
| John de Bisshopesdon | } In the County | } fifth day of |
| Robert de Valle      |                 |                |



*Form of Assessing  
and Taxing in the  
Counties.* } THIS IS THE FORM which the  
assessors and taxers of the  
twentieth (granted to our Lord  
the King in his conference at Lincoln, in the first  
year of his reign, by the earls, barons, and the  
commonalties of all the counties of the realm),  
ought to observe in assessing and levying the same  
twentieth, that is to say, That the chief taxers  
without delay, shall cause to come before them from  
each town of the county, within liberties and without,  
such number of the most loyal and most substantial  
men of the same towns as shall be sufficient  
for the chief taxers to choose four or six from  
each town, or more if need be, at their discretion,  
by whom the said taxation, and what is requisite  
to be done thereon, can best be made and accom-  
plished. And when they shall have chosen such  
persons, then they shall cause them to be sworn on  
the Holy Gospels, that is to say, those of each  
town by themselves, and they who shall so have  
been sworn shall loyally and fully enquire what  
goods each person in the same towns had on the  
Feast of Saint Michael in the first year of the  
reign of the King that now is, in house or without,  
wheresoever they be, without exempting any, on  
pain of forfeiture, and they shall loyally tax all such  
goods, whatever may have become of them since  
that time, by sale, or in any other manner, according  
to their true value, except the things below in this  
form excepted ; And they shall cause them to be

registered and entered in a roll indented, quite plainly, as soon as possible, and deliver to the chief taxers one part under their seals, and retain with them the other part under the seals of the chief taxers. And when the chief taxers in such manner shall have received the indentures of those who shall be sworn to tax in the said towns, the same chief taxers shall loyally and with much pains examine those indentures, and if they discover that there is any defect therein, they shall forthwith redress it, so that nothing be concealed either for gift, or for reward of a person less taxed than reason demands. And the King wills that the chief taxers do go from hundred to hundred, and from town to town, wherever there shall be need, to survey and inquire if the under taxers in the same towns have fully taxed and presented to them the goods of each; and if they find any thing concealed they shall forthwith redress it; and shall make known to the treasurer and barons of the Exchequer the names of those who shall so have transgressed, and the manner of their fault. And the taxation of the goods of the under taxers of the towns shall be made by the chief taxers, and by other good men whom they shall select to do this, so that the goods of such persons may be taxed well and loyally in the same manner as the goods of others. The taxation of the goods of the chief taxers, and of their clerks, shall be reserved for the treasurer and barons of the Exchequer. And the chief taxers, so soon as they shall have

received the presentment of the under taxers, shall cause the twentieth to be levied to the King's use, without delay, and without deduction made to any, in the form which is enjoined them in their Commission. And they shall cause two rolls to be made of the said taxation, corresponding in all respects, and retain one with them in order to levy the taxation, and the other they shall have at the Exchequer of our Lord the King on the morrow of the Purification of our Lady, on which day they shall make their first payment. And be it known that in this taxation of the goods of the commonalties of all the Counties there shall be excepted armour, mounture, jewels, and robes of knights and gentlemen and of their wives, and their vessels of gold and silver and brass. And the goods of Lepers where they are governed by a Chief Leper shall not be taxed nor appraised; and if they be Lepers, governed by a sound master, their goods shall be taxed as those of others. AND be it remembered that nothing shall be asked or levied of the goods of the said men of the counties whose goods do not amount to ten shillings. And the King wills that the said taxers, in order that they may the more fully and loyally perform the things above said, shall have their expences more sufficiently allowed than others have had in the like case heretofore. And that the chief taxers, or their clerks, shall take nothing either for chapiters or for making the tallies or for receiving the rolls, upon their oaths.



TAXATION of a TWENTIETH in the County  
of Warwick, granted to our lord the King  
Edward the third from the conquest, in the  
first year of his reign. (A.D. 1327.)

(FROM THE SUBSIDY ROLLS.)

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*HUNDRED OF HEMLINGFORD.*

*BIRMINGHAM.*

|   | <i>s.</i> | <i>d.</i> |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Of William de Burmyng'h'm . . . . .       | 3         | 4         |
| „ The Warden* of the Chapel of St. Thomas | 1         | 0         |
| „ Adam de Pacwode . . . . .               | 3         | 0         |
| „ John Edmond . . . . .                   | 2         | 6         |
| „ William Rolfes . . . . .                | 1         | 0         |
| „ Jordan de Caldewell . . . . .           | 1         | 3         |
| „ Thomas Corbin . . . . .                 | 1         | 6         |

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\* Cust'.

|                                   | <i>s.</i> | <i>d.</i> |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Of Peter Rolfes . . . . .         | 2         | 0         |
| „ Richard atte Chapelle . . . . . | 2         | 0         |
| „ John de Newehay . . . . .       | 2         | 6         |
| „ John atte Heth . . . . .        | 3         | 0         |
| „ Simon atte Holt . . . . .       | 2         | 0         |
| „ William de Neweport . . . . .   | 1         | 6         |
| „ John Corbyn . . . . .           | 3         | 0         |
| „ Walter de Clodeshal . . . . .   | 15        | 0         |
| „ Henry de Caldewell . . . . .    | 1         | 6         |
| „ Roger de la Grene . . . . .     | 3         | 0         |
| „ Thomas atte Nasshe . . . . .    | 1         | 6         |
| „ Thomas de Sleford . . . . .     | 1         | 3         |
| „ John atte Holte . . . . .       | 3         | 0         |
| „ Richard Colynes . . . . .       | 1         | 6         |
| „ Thomas le Warner . . . . .      | 1         | 6         |
| „ Elena de Hinkeleye . . . . .    | 8         | 0         |
| „ William de Hodenhull . . . . .  | 2         | 0         |
| „ John le Porter . . . . .        | 2         | 6         |
| „ William Verite . . . . .        | 5         | 0         |
| „ Thomas atte Graunge . . . . .   | 1         | 0         |
| „ Alice de Clodeshale . . . . .   | 1         | 0         |
| „ Clement Corbyn . . . . .        | 2         | 0         |
| „ Robert Tribel . . . . .         | 0         | 8         |

|                        |   |   |   |   | <i>s.</i> | <i>d.</i> |
|------------------------|---|---|---|---|-----------|-----------|
| Of Christiana Miller † | . | . | . | . | 1         | 0         |
| „ Thomas de Billeston  | . | . | . | . | 1         | 0         |
| „ Adam le Deyster      | . | . | . | . | 2         | 6         |
| „ William atte Nasshe  | . | . | . | . | 2         | 0         |
| „ William atte Pole    | . | . | . | . | 1         | 6         |
| „ Matilda atte Holt    | . | . | . | . | 2         | 0         |
| „ John le Fycheler     | . | . | . | . | 2         | 6         |
| „ Henry Corbin         | . | . | . | . | 2         | 0         |
| „ Andrew Carppe        | . | . | . | . | 1         | 0         |
| „ Adam son of Nicholas | . | . | . | . | 1         | 0         |
| „ John de Coleshull    | . | . | . | . | 1         | 0         |
| „ John Beinne          | . | . | . | . | 0         | 8         |
| „ Eli de Illeleye      | . | . | . | . | 2         | 0         |
| „ Richard Ticito       | . | . | . | . | 2         | 6         |
| „ William de Neweport  | . | . | . | . | 7         | 0         |
| „ Roger de Aisseleye   | . | . | . | . | 0         | 8         |
| „ Roger Vegh           | . | . | . | . | 1         | 0         |
| „ Henry atte Stamdelf  | . | . | . | . | 0         | 8         |
| „ William Martin       | . | . | . | . | 0         | 8         |
| „ John le Raggede      | . | . | . | . | 1         | 0         |
| „ William Marescall    | . | . | . | . | 0         | 8         |

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† Molend'.

|                                  | <i>s.</i> | <i>d.</i> |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Of John Colines . . . . .        | 1         | 0         |
| „ Roger Cobbe . . . . .          | 0         | 8         |
| „ Roger Cokayn . . . . .         | 1         | 6         |
| „ John le Masonn . . . . .       | 1         | 0         |
| „ John Russel . . . . .          | 1         | 0         |
| „ Thomas le Hunte . . . . .      | 1         | 6         |
| „ Richard Springafeld . . . . .  | 0         | 8         |
| „ John Rolfes . . . . .          | 1         | 0         |
| „ Thomas Corbin, baker . . . . . | 1         | 0         |
| „ Henry Simond . . . . .         | 0         | 8         |
| „ Adam Aleyn . . . . .           | 1         | 0         |
| „ William de Wynesdon . . . . .  | 1         | 0         |
| „ John le Duk' . . . . .         | 1         | 0         |
| „ John Phelip . . . . .          | 0         | 8         |
| „ Felix atte Stile . . . . .     | 0         | 8         |
| „ Henry Cappe . . . . .          | 0         | 8         |
| „ William de Wodeston . . . . .  | 1         | 0         |
| „ John Michel . . . . .          | 1         | 0         |
| „ Roger de Wales hale . . . . .  | 1         | 6         |
| „ John Wilkynes . . . . .        | 1         | 0         |
| „ Simon Jurdan . . . . .         | 0         | 8         |
| „ William le Mercer*             | 2         | 0         |

\* M'cer.



|                    | <i>s.</i> | <i>d.</i> |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Of John le Mercer* | 2         | 0         |
| „ William le Mey   | 2         | 0         |

Total, £7. os. 6d.

(*Allowed.*†)

*EDGBASTON.*

|                         |   |    |
|-------------------------|---|----|
| Of Elena de Hinkeleye   | 3 | 0  |
| „ William de Tykenhull  | 2 | 6  |
| „ William le Walkar     | 2 | 0  |
| „ William le Porter     | 2 | 0  |
| „ Nicholas de Tykenhull | 1 | 6  |
| „ William Jonns         | 1 | 0  |
| „ William en le Hay     | 1 | 0  |
| „ Henry atte Scholle    | 1 | 6  |
| „ John atte Felde       | 1 | 0  |
| „ Richard de Tokkeleye  | 1 | 0  |
| „ Nicholas atte Hulle   | 0 | 10 |
| „ Julian atte Scholle   | 1 | 0  |
| „ William son of Thomas | 0 | 10 |
| „ John Smith ‡          | 0 | 10 |
| „ William de Ruyfeld    | 1 | 0  |
| „ William son of Roger  | 1 | 0  |

\* M'cer. † pb'. ‡ Fabr̃.

|                                 | s. | d. |
|---------------------------------|----|----|
| Of Ralph de Hinkeleye . . . . . | 0  | 6  |
| „ Thomas Perys . . . . .        | 1  | 0  |
| „ Robert Waleys . . . . .       | 1  | 0  |

Total, £1. 4s. 6d.

(Allowed.)

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*ASTON JUXTA BIRMINGHAM.*

|                                  |   |   |
|----------------------------------|---|---|
| Of Adam de Grymesarwe . . . . .  | 4 | 0 |
| „ John Geffrei . . . . .         | 1 | 0 |
| „ Thomas, brother of the Vicar * | 1 | 6 |
| „ Richard Magoten . . . . .      | 0 | 9 |
| „ Robert Spenser † . . . . .     | 1 | 0 |
| „ John de Dixeleye . . . . .     | 1 | 3 |
| „ William Dux . . . . .          | 2 | 9 |
| „ John le Scherte . . . . .      | 2 | 2 |
| „ John atte Brok . . . . .       | 0 | 6 |

*WITTON.*

|                              |   |   |
|------------------------------|---|---|
| Of Simon atte Holt . . . . . | 2 | 0 |
| „ John Holden ‡ . . . . .    | 2 | 2 |
| „ William Holden ‡ . . . . . | 2 | 0 |

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\* fr̄ vič. † Spens'. ‡ Holde'.

|                      |   |   |   |   | <i>s.</i> | <i>d.</i> |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|-----------|-----------|
| Of Henry de Erdinton | . | . | . | . | 8         | 0         |
| „ John de Pipe .     | . | . | . | . | 5         | 0         |

*ERDINGTON.*

|                         |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|-------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Of Ralph de Kirkebi .   | . | . | . | . | 4 | 0 |
| „ Roger Holden *        | . | . | . | . | 3 | 0 |
| „ John atte Bech' .     | . | . | . | . | 4 | 0 |
| „ William atte Grene .  | . | . | . | . | 3 | 0 |
| „ Robert le Eir .       | . | . | . | . | 3 | 0 |
| „ John atte Barr .      | . | . | . | . | 4 | 0 |
| „ William atte Bech .   | . | . | . | . | 1 | 0 |
| „ John Monner .         | . | . | . | . | 2 | 0 |
| „ Richard Holden * .    | . | . | . | . | 2 | 3 |
| „ John Rogers † .       | . | . | . | . | 1 | 0 |
| „ Richard de Totelson . | . | . | . | . | 1 | 0 |
| „ Henry de Colleshull . | . | . | . | . | 1 | 6 |
| „ Richard atte Bech .   | . | . | . | . | 1 | 0 |
| „ William le Palmer ‡ . | . | . | . | . | 0 | 6 |

*BORDESLEY.*

|                         |   |   |   |   |    |   |
|-------------------------|---|---|---|---|----|---|
| Of Joan de Botetourte . | . | . | . | . | 10 | 0 |
| „ Simon Lichfot .       | . | . | . | . | 2  | 0 |

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\* Holde'. † Rog'. ‡ Palme'.

|                                   | <i>s.</i> | <i>d.</i> |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Of Walter O the Grene . . . . .   | 0         | 9         |
| „ Richard de Weleye . . . . .     | 2         | 0         |
| „ Richard le Taverner * . . . . . | 0         | 6         |
| „ Agnes Claris . . . . .          | 2         | 0         |
| „ Adam atte Broke . . . . .       | 0         | 6         |
| „ Nicholas Eir . . . . .          | 0         | 6         |

*DUDESTON.*

|                                  |   |   |
|----------------------------------|---|---|
| Of Richard Carter . . . . .      | 0 | 9 |
| „ Richard Haywod . . . . .       | 0 | 6 |
| „ Sir John Goband . . . . .      | 5 | 0 |
| „ John de Rokebi . . . . .       | 2 | 0 |
| „ William Main . . . . .         | 3 | 0 |
| „ William atte Schawe . . . . .  | 1 | 0 |
| „ John atte Ruding . . . . .     | 2 | 0 |
| „ John Aleyn . . . . .           | 1 | 0 |
| „ Robert de Rokebi . . . . .     | 1 | 6 |
| „ Philip Page . . . . .          | 0 | 6 |
| „ Richard de Southbach . . . . . | 0 | 6 |
| „ Richard Leuyng . . . . .       | 1 | 0 |
| „ Roger de Bradeuell . . . . .   | 3 | 0 |

\* Tauern'.

*LITTLE BROMWICH.*

|                                      |   |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| Of Robert de B'duell . . . . .       | 2 | 6 |
| „ Richard de B'duell . . . . .       | 1 | 6 |
| „ Adam Leuyng . . . . .              | 1 | 0 |
| „ John le Kyng . . . . .             | 1 | 3 |
| „ Richard de Burnhull . . . . .      | 0 | 6 |
| „ William, son of Nicholas . . . . . | 1 | 0 |
| „ William Edmond . . . . .           | 1 | 6 |
| „ Adam Jeke . . . . .                | 2 | 0 |
| „ Thomas Hemery . . . . .            | 1 | 0 |

*ORTON.*

|                               |   |   |
|-------------------------------|---|---|
| Of John atte Clif . . . . .   | 1 | 0 |
| „ William atte Mor . . . . .  | 1 | 6 |
| „ William Jurdan . . . . .    | 1 | 3 |
| „ John Baronn . . . . .       | 0 | 6 |
| „ Anncelm* atte Mor . . . . . | 2 | 0 |
| „ Peter de Coumbe . . . . .   | 1 | 0 |
| „ Anncelm* atte Mor           | 8 | 0 |
| „ Adam le Wolf and }          |   |   |
| „ Henry le Wolf }             |   |   |

\* Auncelm?

## CASTLE BROMWICH.

|                                    | <i>s.</i> | <i>d.</i> |
|------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Of Anncelm* de Bromwych . . . . .  | 8         | 0         |
| „ Thomas de Castell . . . . .      | 3         | 0         |
| „ William Clerk † . . . . .        | 1         | 0         |
| „ Henry son of Henry . . . . .     | 2         | 0         |
| „ Roger atte Somerlone ‡ . . . . . | 2         | 0         |
| „ William de Chilterham . . . . .  | 8         | 0         |
| „ Adam atte Scherd . . . . .       | 4         | 0         |
| „ Thomas atte Scherd . . . . .     | 3         | 0         |
| „ John de Circestr . . . . .       | 2         | 0         |
| „ Henry de Somerlone ‡ . . . . .   | 2         | 2         |
| „ William in le Hay . . . . .      | 4         | 0         |
| „ John Possel . . . . .            | 3         | 0         |
| „ Stephen Wateleye . . . . .       | 2         | 0         |
| „ Henry Bracofi . . . . .          | 2         | 0         |
| „ Thomas Mountfort . . . . .       | 1         | 6         |
| „ William le Couper § . . . . .    | 4         | 0         |
| „ Andrew Bate . . . . .            | 3         | 0         |
| „ Henry son of Henry . . . . .     | 1         | 6         |
| „ William de Wirleye . . . . .     | 4         | 6         |

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\* Auncelm ? † Cl'ico. ‡ Soñlone. § Coupe'.

|                            | s. | d. |
|----------------------------|----|----|
| Of Henry Ward . . . . .    | 4  | 0  |
| „ John atte Mers . . . . . | 3  | 0  |

Total, £10. os. 6d.

(*Allowed.*)











